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R E P O R T S .

REPORT ON AYRSHIRES.

The Committee on Ayrshires submit the following Report. Sixteen animals were entered in this class, ten by Mr. Bela J. Stone, of Sturbridge, and six by Mr. O. B. Hadwen, of Worcester.

Your Committee award premiums as follows :

For the best herd, to Bela J. Stone, of Sturbridge,	\$20 00
“ next best, “ O. B. Hadwen, of Worcester,	10 00
“ best bull, 1st, to B. J. Stone,	6 00
“ “ cow, 1st, “ O. B. Hadwen,	5 00
“ next best, 2d, “ B. J. Stone,	3 00
“ best heifer, 3 yrs-old, to B. J. Stone,	4 00
“ next best, “ “ “	3 00
“ best heifer, 2 yrs-old, “ O. B. Hadwen,	3 00
“ next best, “ “ B. J. Stone,	2 00
“ best yearling heifer, “ “	3 00
“ next best, “ “	2 00
“ best bull calf, “ “	Harris' Insects.

Your committee deem it proper to state that they were in much doubt and nearly equally divided on the merits of the respective herds of Messrs. Stone and Hadwen.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH BURNETT, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON JERSEYS.

The Committee on Jerseys submit the following report. Twenty-four animals were entered in this class. Your committee award the premiums as follows:

For best herd, to Wm. S. Lincoln, of Worcester,	\$20 00
“ next best, “ John Brooks, “ Princeton,	10 00
“ best bull, 1st, to Wm. S. Lincoln,	6 00
“ next best, 2d, “ John Brooks,	4 00
“ best cow, 1st, “ “ “	5 00
“ next best, 2d, “ W. S. Lincoln,	3 00
“ best heifer, 3 yrs-old, to W. S. Lincoln,	4 00
“ next best, “ “ John Brooks,	3 00
“ best heifer, 2 yrs-old, “ “ “	3 00
“ next best, “ “ W. S. Lincoln,	2 00
“ best yearling, to John Brooks,	3 00
“ next best, “ W. S. Lincoln,	2 00
“ best bull calf, to H. B. Osgood, Whitinsville,	

Harris' Insects.

Your Committee are pleased to notice a valuable high grade Jersey cow, exhibited by Mr. Wellington, also three imported Jersey cows, entered by C. J. Anthony of Worcester, (no age given) although lacking some of the distinctive features by which this breed is usually known, were remarkable for size and condition.

Respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH BURNETT, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON SHORT-HORNS AND DEVONS.

Your Committee on Short-Horns and Devons having attended to the duty assigned to them, beg leave to make the following report:

Your Committee award for the best herd of thorough-bred Short-Horns of not less than five animals, a premium of \$20 to A. O. Comins, of Millbury.

Your Committee award for the best Short-Horned Bull, the 1st of \$5 00 to Messrs. Bigelow & Chaffin, of Worcester.

For the best Short-Horned Cow, the 1st premium of \$6 00 to A. O. Comins, of Millbury. The 2d premium of \$4 00 to M. M. Chaffin, of Worcester.

Your Committee award the 2d premium of \$4 00 to Wm. Eames, of Worcester, for his Devon Bull.

Your Committee recommend the following gratuities: To T. W. Ward, of Shrewsbury, for his Short-Horned Bull, Harris' Insects. To Harvey Dodge, of Sutton, for his herd of Devons, \$8 00.

Your Committee would make honorable mention of the Short-Horned Heifer and Bull exhibited by Daniel Tainter, of Worcester.

J. G. WOOD, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON BULLS.

The Committee award the Society's first premium of \$6 00 to J. & G. A. Barnard, Worcester, for their 15-16 Durham Bull, two years and two months old.

O. A. Kelley, of Worcester, would have received the second premium, had he not received the same at a former exhibition. The second premium is awarded to Mr. Moore, of Rutland.

For Bull Calves, the Committee award to G. Emmons Goodell, of West Boylston, for his $\frac{3}{4}$ Durham Bull Calf, the first premium of \$2 00.

To Charles Wesson, of Worcester, for his Grade Durham Bull Calf, the second premium of \$1 00.

In behalf of the Committee.

D. F. PARMENTER, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON MILCH COWS AND HEIFERS.

The Committee on Milch Cows and Heifers submit the following Report:

For the best two cows, raised by the Exhibitor and kept with a stock of

YOUNG HEIFERS.

not less than four, a premium of \$12 00 to J. P. Reed, of Princeton.

For the best single Cow, \$6 00 to S. Ellsworth, of Barre.

For the best two Cows, kept together or with others, \$6 00 to Wm. Eames, of Worcester.

For the best Cow, kept alone or with others, \$5 00 to N. B. Reed, of Princeton.

The Committee would recommend a gratuity of \$4 00 to A. D. Evans, Worcester, for his Cow, 7 years old, and also a gratuity of \$3 00 to J. R. Pierce, Worcester.

MILCH HEIFERS.

1st premium, to S. Ellsworth, of Barre,	\$6 00
2d " " J. P. Reed, " Princeton,	5 00

And no claim being made for the third premium none is awarded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH BRUCE, *for the Committee.*

REPORT ON YOUNG HEIFERS.

The Committee on class No. 4 report:

For the best 2 yr-old Heifer, 1st premium, to S. Ellsworth, Barre.
" " " " 2d " " S. Salisbury, Worcester.
" " " " 3d " " Wm. Eames, "

FOR THE BEST YEARLING HEIFER.

1st premium to S. Ellsworth, Barre. 2d premium to Wm. Eames, Worcester. 3d premium to Z. Mason, Grafton.

FOR THE BEST HEIFER CALF.

1st premium to Charles Wesson, Worcester. 2d premium to J. T. Harlow, Shrewsbury.

AMASA WALKER, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON WORKING OXEN.

Your Committee on Working Oxen award the following premiums:

1st premium to	Harvey Putnam, of	Grafton,	\$15 00
2d	"	Simon Carpenter, "	Charlton, 10 00
3d	"	J. C. Beaman, "	Westborough, 8 00
4th	"	A. B. Stockwell, "	Sutton, 6 00
5th	"	R. B. Dana, "	Oxford, 4 00
6th	"	John P. Stockwell, "	Sutton, 3 00
7th	"	J. P. Reed, "	Princeton, 2 00

Your Committee award a gratuity of two dollars each to

Caleb Taft, Blackstone; N. B. Reed, Princeton; Curtis Beaman, Westborough.

F. M. FARNUM, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON WORKING STEERS.

The Committee on Working Steers submit the following report:

To J. W. Marble,	of Sutton,	1st premium,	7 00
" S. Carpenter,	" Charlton,	2d "	6 00
" S. Marsh,	" Sutton,	3d "	5 00
" J. P. Reed,	" Princeton,	4th "	3 00

H. H. BRIGHAM, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON STEERS

ONE AND TWO YEARS OLD.

Number of Entries in this class, fifteen.

1st premium for two-year-olds,	S. Marsh,	Sutton,	5 00
2d	"	H. Beaman, Westborough,	4 00
3d	"	F. Mason, Shrewsbury,	3 00
4th	"	G. Woodbury, Sutton,	2 00

1st prem. on Steers one-yr-old,	Caleb Taft, Blackstone,	4 00
2d " " " "	Frank Batchellor, Sutton,	3 00
3d " " " "	Harvey Dodge, "	2 00
4th " " " "	Waters Putnam, "	1 00

A gratuity of \$1 00 to H. S. Stockwell, of Sutton, is recommended. The Committee also recommend a gratuity of \$1 00 each to the boy drivers of the pony Steer Team from Sutton, Masters F. Batchellor, H. S. Stockwell, W. Putnam and Geo. F. Woodbury.

Your Committee award the 1st premium for Steer Calves to N. B. Harlow, of Shrewsbury, \$2 00, which was the only entry of steer calves not over eight months old.

For the Committee.

GEO. E. BURT, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON FAT CATTLE.

The Committee with entire unanimity award the premiums as follows:

To Stephen Marsh for his four-year-old steer, the weight of which was 1960 lbs., the first premium of \$8 00

To Samuel Allen, of Shrewsbury, for one of his oxen, the weight of which was 1930 lbs., second premium, 6 00

The Committee award the premium of \$5 00 to S. E. Davis for his five-year-old cow.

These animals were all grass-fed with the exception of a few bushels of roots given to Mr. Marsh's steer during the last winter. The oxen of Mr. Allen have performed the labor of his farm up to this time.

It is to be regretted that gentlemen appointed on committees are not on the ground to perform the duties assigned to them. Of the seven members of the committee originally appointed, four were absent, including the chairman.

The services of gentlemen skilled in the department were added to the board and the committee thus constituted, your chairman can assure the Society that their skill and judgment are confidently to be relied upon.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. G. HILL, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON SHEEP.

For the best flock of Spanish Merino Ewes,	
F. M. Wood, Grafton,	8 00
For the best flock of South Down Ewes,	
A. C. & S. G. Wood, Milbury,	8 00
For the best flock of Native Ewes, S. Marsh, Sutton,	8 00
To G. Calvin Rice of Worcester, a gratuity of 3 00	
For best Spanish Merino Buck, F. C. Wood of Grafton,	5 00
" " South Down " J. Brooks, Princeton,	5 00
" " Native or mixed, " G. C. Rice, Worcester,	5 00
" Next best " " W. Putnam, Sutton,	3 00

A gratuity of \$3 is recommended to Charles Browning, of Rutland, for his flock of ewe lambs.

GEORGE HODGES, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON SWINE.

The Committee on Swine, award the following premiums :

Boars, 1st premium to R. Barrett, Bolton,	7 00
Breeding Sows, 1st premium to A. F. Knights, W. Boylston,	7 00
2d " Lyman Pierce, "	5 00
For Breeding Sows less than two years old,	
1st premium to James R. Pierce, Worcester,	6 00
For best pigs, 1st premium to S. Salisbury, Worcester,	5 00

G. A. BARNARD, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON POULTRY.

The Committee award for Dunghill fowls :—

1st premium to	John Farwell,	of Worcester,
2d “	O. B. Hadwen	“
3d “	Charles Wesson,	“
4th “	S. H. Johnson,	Shrewsbury.

FOR TURKEYS.

1st premium to	John Farwell,	Worcester.
2d “	Winslow S. Lincoln,	“

For the Committee.

BENJ. FLAGG.

REPORT ON STALLIONS.

The Committee on Stallions respectfully submit the following report: that in the discharge of their duty they found ten entries, one of which was for exhibition only. Six of these entries were for Stallions not less than four years of age, owned in the county six months preceding the Show.

The Committee were unanimous in awarding the first premium to Geo. S. Howe, of Worcester, for his chestnut horse, 5 years old, Ethan Allen and English Breed.

For the second premium of \$15, they were also unanimous in giving it to John Brooks of Princeton, for his black horse, 4 years old, Messenger and Flying Childers breed.

The Committee wish to make favorable mention of the horse of Mr. Bigelow, of West Boylston. His owner would probably have received a premium, but failed to comply with the rules of the Committee.

The Committee regret that there were no entries of Stallions over three and under four years of age.

For the best Stallion over two and under three years of age, the Committee adjudge both premiums to Mr. Brooks of Princeton; the 1st of \$10 for his Patchen and E. Allen, and the 2d of \$6, for his Messenger and Flying Childers.

The Committee hope that another year will show an increased number of competitors for the Society's premiums.

For the Committee.

A. E. ESTABROOK.

REPORT ON FAMILY AND CARRIAGE HORSES.

The Committee award the premiums as follows:

Single Horses, 1st premium to Mr. Messenger, Worcester,	15 00
“ 2d “ Mr. Anthony, “	12 00
“ 3d “ L. Crawford, Oakham,	8 00
“ 4th “ D. W. Arnold, Westborough,	5 00
“ 5th “ J. W. Slocomb, Grafton,	4 00
“ 6th “ S. E. Bates, Barre,	3 00
Matched Horses, 1st premium to Mr. Anthony,	12 00
“ 2d “ Mr. Stowe, of Worcester,	6 00
Gratuity to John Brooks of Princeton, 3 00.	
Walking Horses, 1st premium to S. E. Bates, Barre,	4 00
“ 2d “ J. J. Coburn, Worcester,	3 00

For the Committee.

REPORT ON COLTS.

The Committee having attended to their duty, report that of Fillies and Geldings, over three and under four years, raised in the county, there were eighteen entries. The Committee found, however, that only nine of these were exhibited in harness, according to

the requirements of the society, and they were obliged to exclude all others in making their awards.

For the best colt over three and under four years,

				1st premium to	B. W. Abbott, Holden.
"	"	"	"	2d	" R. M. Oaks, Millbury.
"	"	"	"	3d	" Wm. Prince, Dudley.
"	"	"	"	4th	" Chas. Goodale, W. Boylston.
"	"	"	"	5th	" A. L. Hawes, Grafton.
"	"	2 years old colt,	1st	"	B. W. Abbott, Holden.
"	"	"	"	2d	" Chas. B. Pratt, Worcester.
"	"	"	"	3d	" Chas. Wesson, Worcester.
"	"	"	"	4th	" Albert Kelley, Auburn.

Of fillies and geldings over one and under two years old, there were ten entries.

The 1st premium is awarded to Nathan Washburn, of Worcester.

"	2d	"	"	S. Ellsworth, Barre.
"	3d	"	"	C. B. Pratt, Worcester.
"	4th	"	"	E. G. Wheelock, Millbury.

For the Committee.

F. B. RICE, *Chairman*.

REPORT ON BROOD MARES AND COLTS.

The Committee award the following premiums for the young colts.

For horse colts,	1st premium to	E. G. Wheelock, Worcester,
"	"	"
"	"	"
"	2d	" W. L. Robbins,
"	Mare colts	1st " A. L. Hawes, Grafton.
"	"	"
"	2d	" S. Ellsworth, Barre.
"	Brood mares	1st " A. L. Hawes, Grafton.
"	"	"
"	2d	" S. Ellsworth, Barre.
"	"	"
"	3d	" W. L. Robbins, Worcester.
"	"	"
"	4th	" G. W. Hastings, Millbury.
"	"	"
"	5th	" E. G. Wheelock, Worcester.

F. M. FARNUM, *Chairman*.

AWARD UNDER CLASS 16.

25 00 to Mr. Shattuck of Barre,
25 00 to Mr. Jones of Fitchburg.

For the Committee.

B. W. ABBOTT.

REPORT ON PLOWING.

For single teams the Committee award the
1st premium to Otis S. Streeter, Shrewsbury. Plow Eagle No. 73,
Knox's patent.

2d premium to S. E. Bates, Barre. Plow Telegraph No. 3, Knox's
patent.

3d premium to A. B. Stockwell, Sutton. Plow Telegraph, No. 3.

4th premium to Anson Warner, Westborough. Plow Telegraph, No. 3.

5th premium to R. M. Oaks, Millbury. Plow 73½, Knox's patent.

Gratuities of \$2 each to Thomas Reardon, Grafton, and Harvey
Putnam, Grafton.

Double teams, 1st premium to H. S. Stockwell, Sutton,

“ “ 2d “ C. J. C. Beaman, Westborough,

“ “ 3d “ D. W. Wheelock, Worcester.

The thanks of this society are due to S. E. Bates, of Barre, and
Geo. Dodge, of Sutton, but the plow which they used, (Cylinder,
No. 2,) though very good for shallow plowing, is not adapted to so
deep work as the Society requires.

To Horse teams, 1st premium to R. M. Oaks, Millbury,

“ “ 2d “ S. Carpenter, Charlton,

“ “ 3d “ A. Pratt, Worcester.

If in trade, the old adage is true that “a thing well bought
is half sold,” it is equally true that land thoroughly plowed, is half
tilled, and the cost of cultivating hoed crops, depends much upon the
manner in which the land is plowed. The particular attention of farm-

ers is called to the double swivel plow, which as a pulverizer of soil, fitting it for all kinds of seeds, cannot be excelled.

Respectfully submitted.

J. B. ADAMS, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON FIELD CROPS.

For the largest and best variety of Kitchen Vegetables :—

1st premium to Harvey Dodge, of Sutton,	\$10 00	
2d " " S. P. Champney, of Grafton,	6 00	
3d " " O. B. Hadwen, of Worcester,	Harris' Insects.	
Potatoes, 1st premium to C. W. Gleason, of Holden,	3 00	
2d " " J. F. Pike, Worcester,	Flint's Grasses.	
3d " " J. H. Allen, Shrewsbury,	1 00	
Marrow Squashes, 1st premium to W. Y. Holman, Worcester,	1 00	
Hubbard do " " " G. H. Harlow, Shrewsbury,	1 00	
2d " " " C. E. Miles, Shrewsbury,	50	
Pumpkins,	A. O. Comins, Millbury,	1 00
Cabbages,	J. Grout, Worcester,	1 00
Cauliflower,	J. Grout, Worcester,	1 00
Onions,	H. Barrett, Worcester,	1 00
Beets,	J. Farwell, Worcester,	1 00
Turnips,	J. Miles, Worcester,	1 00
Tomatoes,	C. E. Miles, Shrewsbury,	1 00
Beans,	C. Wesson, Worcester,	1 00
Carrots,	A. Chapin, Shrewsbury,	1 00
Sugar Beets,	J. T. Ellsworth, Barre,	1 00
Parsnips,	J. Farwell, Worcester,	1 00
Mangel Wurtzel,	J. Farwell, Worcester,	1 00
Ruta Bagas,	A. Chapin, Shrewsbury,	1 00
Field Corn, 1st premium, C. Wesson, Worcester,	2 00	
2d " " W. Eames, Worcester,	Flint's Grasses.	
Sweet Corn, 1st " P. Thayer, Worcester,	2 00	
Varieties of Corn, 1st prem. O. B. Hadwen, Worcester,	5 00	
2d prem. S. P. Champney, Grafton,	3 00	
Winter Wheat,	O. B. Hadwen, Worcester,	2 00
Spring Rye,	W. Eames, do	2 00
Winter Rye,	O. B. Hadwen, do	2 00
Buckwheat,	C. Wesson, do	50

C. L. HARTSHORN, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON BUTTER.

For the best Butter, the product of one dairy :—

1st premium to	Wilkes Roper, of Princeton.
2d “ “	A. F. Knights, West Boylston.
3d “ “	A. Putnam, Holden.
4th “ “	Wm. Eames, Worcester.
5th “ “	Geo. Hastings, Millbury.
6th “ “	H. H. Brigham, Boylston.

June Butter, 1st premium to	P. Harwood, Barre.
2d “ “	S. P. Champney, Grafton.

H. G. TAFT, *Chairman.*

Thorough-Bred Butter, C. O. Comins, Millbury,	\$6 00
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JOS. BURNETT, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON BREAD.

Wor. Co. wheat flour bread,	Mrs. G. A. Chamberlain,	2 00
“ “ Unbolted wheat bread, Same,		2 00
Rye flour bread,	Mrs. N. C. Moore,	1 00
Rye and Indian bread,	G. A. Chamberlain,	1 00
Best wheat bread, 1st,	C. S. Hartshorn,	2 00
“ “ “ 2d,	S. B. Dudley,	1 50
“ “ “ 3d,	S. W. Johnson,	1 00
“ “ “ 4th,	H. S. Whittemore,	75
“ “ “ 5th,	Lucien Prince,	50

All of Worcester.

H. G. TAFT, *Chairman.*

C H E E S E .

New cheese, 1st premium,	M. Pollard, New Braintree,
“ “ 2d “	M. Thompson, “

New Cheese, 3d	prem.	B. W. Washburn,	Barre,
“ “ 4th	“	S. Ellsworth,	“
“ “ 5th	“	L. W. Sibley,	Spencer.
Sage cheese 1st	“	B. W. Washburn,	Barre,
“ “ 2d	“	P. Harwood,	“
Old cheese, 1st	“	B. W. Washburn,	“
“ “ 2d	“	M. Pollard, N. Braintree.	

HENRY GRIFFIN, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON MANUFACTURED AND FANCY ARTICLES.

The Committee recommend the following gratuities, no premiums having been offered by the society.

H. S. Wood,	Worcester,	Bed Quilt,	75
Mrs. W. Rice,	"	Breakfast cape,	1 00
G. W. Bliven,	Shrewsbury,	Collection,	1 00
Mrs. B. B. Hill,	Worcester,	Rag Mat,	50
" N. R. Felton,	"	Cone work,	1 00
" C. Tucker,	"	Bed Quilt,	1 50
L. Stockwell,	Grafton,	Worsted mat,	75
Mrs. Lucy Winter,	W. Boylston,	Hose,	1 00
Miss Josie Brown,	Sutton,	Drawings,	1 00
Mrs. L. Chapin,	Worcester,	Counterpane,	2 00
E. B. & L. Putnam,	"	Collection,	6 00
Mrs. G. Chamberlain,	"	Tapestry Pictures,	1 00
Mrs. L. Prince,	"	Hats,	1 00
Same,	"	Bed Quilt,	75
Mrs. J. Downing,	"	Rug,	50
" G. S. Howe,	"	Case of articles,	2 00
Miss Emma Thayer,	"	Flowers &c.	75
Miss A. M. Spalter,	"	Paintings,	1 00
Howe & Shepard,	"	Ice Fender,	1 00
Allen & Leland,	"	Shoe Knives,	50
A. M. Howe,	"	Leather Cutters,	1 00
Daniel Stratton,	"	Fork wrench,	50
Kimball & Talbot,	"	Callipers,	50
C. Jillson,	"	"	1 00
L. D. Fay,	"	Chuck,	1 00
J. W. Howe & Co.	"	Wire Work,	1 00
J. Gooding, Jr.	"	Ship rings,	1 00
F. Wesson,	"	Rifles,	2 00

W. Fischer & Bro.,	Worcester,	Instruments,	1 00
Whittemore Bros,	"	Paring Machines,	1 00
John D. Clark,	Leicester,	Pump bucket,	50
Drs. Green & Jenks,	Worcester,	Dentistry,	1 00
H. S. Whittemore,	"	Honey,	50
S. E. Thompson,	"	Honey,	50
L. Q. Spaulding,	"	Sewing Machines,	2 00
S. L. Shaffer,	"	Sewing Machines,	2 00
A. H. Howland & Co.	"	Sewing Machines,	2 00
A. B. Lovell,	"	Water pipes,	1 00
L. G. Lincoln,	"	Barrels,	1 00
R. Champion,	"	Churns &c.	2 00

A. B. BARNARD, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE WORCESTER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY :

The undersigned, chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for 1864, respectfully submits the following report of the doings of the Committee.

There is believed to be no rule, or law, or practice in the Society, which requires this report to be made in writing. The predecessor of the undersigned, it is remembered, made at the close of his term of office, a verbal report, in brief, of the doings of the Committee, which was accepted, nor was it claimed at that time, that said report should be made in writing. As, however, a desire has been expressed that a written report be furnished of the doings of the past year, the undersigned cheerfully complies with that desire, as a matter of courtesy however, and not of right.

The undersigned takes this occasion to express his sense of obligation to his associates, the Secretary and Chairman of the Committee on Grounds, for their hearty and zealous co-operation in all measures undertaken for the good of the Society during the past year. Between these officers and himself, there has always been complete and

perfect harmony of action. Constituting by immemorial custom the executive force of the Society and Trustees, their officers and the undersigned have found themselves in unison of opinion and action on every question of policy which has come before them for consideration and decision.

The result of the annual Exhibition, regarded solely with reference to its character, is before the Trustees and need not be commented upon in detail. While it does not become the undersigned to extol its merit, truth and justice require the admission by him, that in the opinion of the enlightened public, it was inferior to none ever held by the Society. Its attractions proved adequate to overcome the disadvantages of uncertain weather, and the attendance on both days was most gratifying. The undersigned would especially tender his thanks in behalf of the Committee, to Ex-Governor Lincoln, for the ready courtesy with which he placed at their disposal a lot of land for ploughing, in the closest proximity to the show grounds, thereby preventing the necessity of removing the most interesting feature of the show to a distant locality. Nor would it be right to pass by without notice the great interest added to the Exhibition by the liberal donations of Wm. Eames, by which the exhibition of working cattle was rendered superior to anything ever before seen in this Society, or, it is said, in any Society in the Commonwealth. The enjoyment of the first day was still further heightened by the presence at the dinner, of Ex-President Lincoln, who, though suffering from wounds and debility, yet consented rather than disappoint the earnest wish of the Committee, to prepare and deliver a valuable and instructive address on the Agriculture and Civilization of Virginia.

The weather on the second day promised unfavorably, and the attendance in the morning was small. The undersigned had, at some pains on which it does not become him to speak at length, secured the presence from remote points of several celebrated horses, and caused notice that they would give an exhibition in the afternoon to be extensively circulated in the city. The result was satisfactory beyond expectation. Though the day was lowering with imminent prospect of heavy showers, the amount received at the gate was \$1,315, of which all but about \$100 was taken in the afternoon, the attendance in the morning

having mostly consisted of members of the Society. It is probably a reasonable estimate to say that the Society saved \$1,200 from the exhibition on the afternoon of the second day.

As a consequence of this success, the Society was enabled to pay six months interest which had been unpaid at the close of the preceding year and its interest for the year 1864, to pay all its large award of premiums, all the expenses of a creditable and honorable exhibition, to place its grounds in the most perfect condition, and leave a balance in the Treasury after all these payments, of upwards of \$400.

But the question has been asked, in what spirit and with what motives it does not become the undersigned to inquire, (though he has a definite opinion on the subject,) on whose responsibility and by whose authority the offer of premiums for objects not contemplated by the Trustees was made. The undersigned to answer the inquiry will here state that it was done on his own responsibility, and afterwards approved by several of the members of the committee, among whom was Hon. D. Waldo Lincoln; therefore he has no apology to make to any one for the action, either as to his motives or its success. The undersigned has never doubted and does not now doubt the authority of the person or persons to whom the Trustees have conferred the charge of their exhibition to make any reasonable appropriation, under the head of expense for any object which in the exercise of his judgment he believes will be for the good of the Society. The opinion of the undersigned is clear that the chairman of the Committee of Arrangements holds his place for the express purpose of taking responsibility, and that, in this, as in every other executive office, the man who hesitates to take the responsibility belonging to his office must fail.

For the information of the curious and to silence all, it may be well enough to explain how great an exercise of authority was assumed in the present instance. The Society had appropriated fifty dollars for exhibition for trial of speed; a subscription was obtained from liberal citizens amounting to sixty-five dollars, and there were received for entries for the different prizes seventy-one dollars. The total amount of premiums given to this class was \$225, so that the amount of the

Society's money that the undersigned took the responsibility of offering for these premiums, was thirty-nine dollars. The detail of premiums in this class was drawn up by the Secretary in co-operation with the undersigned, and, though not necessary, it may be as well to state that it was agreed at the time between these two officers, that, should for any reason the exhibition prove a failure, the amount of thirty-nine dollars should be paid by themselves and not charged to the Society. After the result of the offer was made apparent, they did not think their duty required them to pay the thirty-nine dollars.

The undersigned has made this somewhat extended report, not with a view to claim merit for himself for those acting with him, but knowing that in almost every Society there are those who studiously disparage every success of which they are not themselves the authors, and that disappointed candidates for premiums seek their remedy by disparaging the executive officers, he deemed that truth and fair dealing required this exposition.

CHAS. B. PRATT,

Chairman of Committee of Arrangements for 1864.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

JOHN D. WASHBURN, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH

THE WORCESTER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

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Jan. 1864.

To cash of C. M. Miles, late Treasurer,		\$187 44	
Additional new members,	-	45 00	
Donation from Wm. Eames,	-	10 00	
From subscription of several gentlemen for the trials of speed,	-	65 00	
Entry fees for trials of speed,	-	71 00	
From the Exhibition, 1st day,	\$375 00		
2nd day,	1,315 00		
Rent of ground,	55 00		
Dinner,	299 00	\$2,044 00	
		<u> </u>	\$2,422 44

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By premiums paid for 1863,	-	-	\$86 00
Interest at Savings Bank,	-	-	165 00
Premiums of 1864, paid,	-	-	225 75

Jan. 1864.

Palladium 5 50, Spy 4 25,	-	-	9 75
Witt & Pratt 1 50, Postage 3 00, D. Kinsley 3 00,			7 50
Hooper 5 00, Baldwin 1 25, J. Gates 10 27,	-		16 52
Postage 1 75, Copying &c. 10 00, L. Prince 10 00,			21 75
C. Hamilton 38 50, Co. of Worcester 5 00,	-		43 50
Insurance 2 70, Transcript 17 50, D. W. Lincoln for laborers, 35 00, W. Bigelow for labor, 6 50,			61 70
A. Marrs, for dinners 2 days,	-		457 00
Cornet Band 68 00, Mr. Marsh 15 00, Interest 4 80,			87 80
C. Hamilton 35 75, Harkness 6 20, Baldwin & Co. 17 15,			59 10

Postage 3 60, Grout & Bigelow 9 50, J. Daggett 10 50,	23 60
Committee on Grounds, for work 34 00, D. W. Lincoln,	
for gate keepers &c., 47 00,	81 00
Expenses and Clerks in Secretary's office,	27 00
W. Coe 1 00, G. S. Hoppin 3 40,	4 40
L. Prince 37 50, N. T. Bemis 6 00,	43 50
G. B. Baker, repairs &c.,	16 00
Secretary and Treasurer,	75 00
C. A. Wall,	3 25
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	\$1,515 12
Cash on hand,	907 32
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	\$2,422 44

The available cash assets of the Society are as follows :

Cash on hand,	\$907 32
Due in November from State,	600 00
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	\$1,507 32

And their estimated liabilities apart from funded debt of \$5,500 00 :

Premiums awarded and not paid,	\$865 00
Printing Transactions,	100 00
Interest in November at Savings Bank,	165 00
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Balance,	\$377 32

JOHN D. WASHBURN, *Treasurer.*

WORCESTER, Oct. 19, 1864.

TRUSTEES FOR 1865.

- Auburn*—J. L. Perry.
Barre—S. Ellsworth,
W. Robinson, Jr.,
Peter Harwood,
J. T. Ellsworth.
Berlin—George H. Barnes.
Bolton—Jonathan Forbush,
Roswell Barrett.
Boylston—Dunsmore Ball,
D. T. Moore,
H. H. Brigham.
Brookfield—Aaron Kimball.
Clinton—H. N. Bigelow.
Charlton—S. Carpenter,
F. M. Farnum,
D. Carpenter.
Douglas—Warren Hunt.
Dudley—Henry H. Stevens.
Fitchburg—Alvah Crocker.
Grafton—Jonathan D. Wheeler,
H. F. Wing,
E. L. Case,
C. Goddard, Jr.,
J. McClellan,
J. B. Adams,
G. F. Slocomb.
Hardwick—Moses Smith.
Harvard—A. G. Hill,
T. Bull,
A. J. Sawyer,
G. E. Burt.
Holden—A. Putnam,
D. F. Parmenter,
B. W. Abbott,
C. W. Gleason.
Lancaster—S. Thurston,
L. L. Farwell.
Leicester—Edward Brown,
J. A. Denny.
Leominster—L. Burrage.
Lunenburg—B. G. Whiting.
Mendon—Jno. Geo. Metcalf.
Millbury—J. G. Wood,
A. O. Cummings,
E. M. Holman,
W. H. Wheeler.
Milford—A. C. Mayhew,
O. Underwood,
B. D. Godfrey.
New Braintree—Hollis Tidd,
M. Pollard,
W. A. Mixter.
Northborough—G. C. Davis,
A. B. Maynard.
Northbridge—P. Whitin.
North Brookfield—Amasa Walker,
Freeman Walker.
Oakham—James Allen.
Oxford—George Hodges,
L. C. Parks,
R. A. Davis.
Princeton—J. A. Reed,
John Brooks,
N. B. Reed,
J. T. Everett,
Israel Everett.
Shrewsbury—T. W. Ward,
L. B. Hapgood,
S. A. Cushing,
Jonathan H. Nelson,
Jotham Carpenter,
S. G. Ward.
Southborough—Joseph Burnett,
Sullivan Fay.

Southbridge—Samuel Hartwell.

Sterling—Moses Sawyer,

Ezra Sawyer,

Uri Kilburn,

S. Sawyer.

Sturbridge—Bela J. Stone.

Sutton—Harvey Dodge,

Putnam King,

Horace Leland,

R. F. Fosdick.

Templeton—Artemas Lee.

Upton—Velorous Taft,

Wm. Knowlton.

Uxbridge—L. S. Taft,

S. P. Lovett.

Webster—R. O. Storrs,

Solomon Shumway.

West Brookfield—E. B. Tainter.

Westborough—G. C. Sanborn,

C. P. Rice,

Anson Warren,

M. G. Davis,

J. H. Whitney,

Lyman Belknap,

Jasper Fay.

Warren—S. R. Burroughs.

West Boylston—A. F. Knight,

West Boylston—E. W. Bigelow,
Chas. Goodale.

Worcester—Levi Lincoln,

Isaac Davis,

R. Newton,

S. Salisbury,

D. W. Lincoln,

George Hobbs,

W. A. Wheeler,

Jonas Hartshorn,

C. B. Pratt,

G. S. Howe, (grocer,)

M. M. Chaffin,

G. A. Chamberlain,

John Barnard,

John Hammond,

Walter Bigelow,

M. Flagg,

Merrick Bemis,

H. R. Keith,

O. B. Hadwen,

Rufus Carter,

W. Eames,

S. Salisbury, Jr.

Alzirus Brown,

Francis B. Rice.

THE WORCESTER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
 WILL HOLD ITS FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL
CATTLE SHOW
 AND EXHIBITION OF
HORSES AND MANUFACTURED ARTICLES,
 ON THE AGRICULTURAL GROUNDS IN WORCESTER,
 On Thursday and Friday, September 21 and 22, 1865,
 AND OFFERS THE FOLLOWING LIST OF PREMIUMS.

THOROUGH - BRED STOCK.

For the best herd of Ayrshires, consisting of not less than five animals, owned by the competitor for four months preceding the Show,	-	-	\$20 00
For the next best herd, as above,	-	-	10 00
For the best herd of North Devons, as above,	-	-	20 00
“ next best,	-	-	10 00
For the best herd of Short-Horns, as above,	-	-	20 00
“ next best,	-	-	10 00
For the best herd of Jerseys, as above,	-	-	20 00
“ best best,	-	-	10 00

These premiums, which are offered from the funds of the Society and by private subscription, apart from the amount received from the bounty of the State, are open to all competitors resident in the State of Massachusetts, subject to a deduction of 25 per cent. where the competitor is not a member of the Society.

An allowance will be made for travel to the owners of herds which do not receive premium, if, in the judgment of the committee, such allowance is merited.

AYRSHIRE.

For the best Bull,	-	-	\$10 00
“ next best Bull,	-	-	5 00
“ best Bull Calf under twelve months old,	-	-	2 00

LIST OF PREMIUMS.

For the best Cow,	-	-	-	6 00
“ next best Cow,	-	-	-	5 00
“ best Heifer over three and under four years,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best Heifer “ “ “	-	-	-	3 00
“ best Heifer over two and under three years,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best “ “ “	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Heifer over one and under two years,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best Heifer “ “ “	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Heifer Calf under twelve months old,	-	-	-	2 00

NORTH DEVONS

For the best Bull,	-	-	-	\$10 00
“ next best Bull,	-	-	-	5 00
“ best Bull Calf under twelve months old,	-	-	-	2 00
For the best Cow,	-	-	-	6 00
“ next best Cow,	-	-	-	5 00
“ best Heifer over three and under four years,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best Heifer “ “ “	-	-	-	3 00
“ best Heifer over two and under three years,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best “ “ “	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Heifer over one and under two years,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best Heifer “ “ “	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Heifer Calf under twelve months old,	-	-	-	2 00

SHORT-HORNS.

For the best Bull,	-	-	-	\$10 00
“ next best Bull,	-	-	-	5 00
“ best Bull Calf under twelve months old,	-	-	-	2 00
For the best Cow,	-	-	-	6 00
“ next best Cow,	-	-	-	5 00
“ best Heifer over three and under four years,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best Heifer “ “ “	-	-	-	3 00
“ best Heifer over two and under three years,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best “ “ “	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Heifer over one and under two years,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best Heifer “ “ “	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Heifer Calf under twelve months old,	-	-	-	2 00

JERSEYS.

For the best Bull,	-	-	-	\$10 00
“ next best Bull,	-	-	-	5 00
“ best Bull Calf under twelve months old,	-	-	-	2 00

LIST OF PREMIUMS.

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For the best Cow,	-	-	-	6 00
“ next best Cow,	-	-	-	5 00
“ best Heifer over three and under four years,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best Heifer “ “ “	-	-	-	3 00
“ best Heifer over two and under three years,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best “ “ “	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Heifer over one and under two years,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best Heifer “ “ “	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Heifer Calf under twelve months old,	-	-	-	2 00

Owners of Blood Stock will be required to furnish to the appropriate Committee satisfactory evidence of the purity of the blood of their animals.

All animals in this class must be entered and their full pedigree filed with the Recording Secretary one week, at least, previous to the day of their exhibition; and all animals whose pedigrees are endorsed by the appropriate Committee shall be deemed as thorough-bred.

CLASS 1.—MIXED STOCK.

For the best herd of any mixed breed, consisting of not less than five animals, owned by the competitor for four months preceding the Show,	-	-	-	\$20 00
For the next best herd, as above,	-	-	-	10 00

These premiums are open to all competitors resident in the County of Worcester, subject to a deduction of 25 per cent. when the competitor is not a member of the Society.

An allowance will be made for travel to the owners of herds which do not receive premium, if, in the judgement of the Committee, such allowance is merited.

CLASS 2.—BULLS.

For the best Bull,	-	-	-	\$10 00
“ next best Bull,	-	-	-	5 00
“ best Bull Calf, over 3 and under 12 months old, bred and raised by applicant,	-	-	-	2 00
“ next best Bull Calf, bred and raised by applicant,	-	-	-	1 00

CLASS 3.—COWS.

For the best two Cows, raised by the exhibitor, and kept with a stock of not less than four,	-	-	-	\$10 00
For the best single Cow, raised and kept as above,	-	-	-	6 00
“ best two Cows, kept together or with others,	-	-	-	6 00
“ next best, do., do.,	-	-	-	4 00
“ best Cow, kept alone or with others,	-	-	-	5 00
“ next best Cow, “ “ “	-	-	-	3 00

Competitors at the time of entry will be required to file with the Secretary their written certificate of the age and breed of their animals—place where and person by whom raised, if known—time of last calving—quality of calf—when last dried and time of next calving—quantity and kind of food (if any is given) in addition to pasture—daily weight of milk for the first seven days of June and September, 1865.

CLASS 4.—MILCH HEIFERS.

For the best three years old, having had a Calf,	-	\$5 00
“ next best,	- - -	4 00
“ next best,	- - -	3 00
“ best two years old,	- - -	3 00
“ next best,	- - -	2 00
“ next best,	- - -	1 00

Competitors in this class will be required at the time of entry, to file their certificates as to the following facts:—The age and breed of the animal, time of last and next calving, quantity and kind of food furnished (if other than pasture), and weight of milk for seven successive days during the season, with the date of the times of trial.

CLASS 5.

For the best two years old Heifer, not having had a Calf,		\$4 00
“ next best do., do.,	- - -	3 00
“ next best do., do.,	- - -	2 00
“ best one year old Heifer,	- - -	3 00
“ next best,	- - -	2 00
“ next best,	- - -	1 00
“ best Heifer Calf,	- - -	2 00
“ next best,	- - -	1 00

Satisfactory security will be required by the Society, that the animals to which these premiums shall be awarded shall be kept until they are two years old, or until they have had one calf.

CLASS 6.—WORKING OXEN.

For the best pair of Working Oxen, not less than four nor over seven years of age, tested with a load of 3,000 lbs, under the direction of the Committee of Arrangements,	- - -	\$12 00
For the next best pair of Oxen tested as above,	-	10 00
“ next best,	“ “	8 00
“ next best,	“ “	6 00
“ next best,	“ “	4 00
“ next best,	“ “	3 00
“ next best,	“ “	2 00

CLASS 7.—WORKING STEERS.

For the best pair three years old Steers, tested on a cart with a weight of 1,500 lbs.,	-	-	-	\$7 00
For the next best, as above,	-	-	-	6 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	5 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	3 00

CLASS 8.—STEERS.

For the best pair of two years old Steers, broken to and ex- hibited in the yoke, and designed for work,				\$5 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	2 00

In awarding premiums for Working Oxen and three and two years old Steers, regard must be had to the strength, equality of match, docility and breed of cattle, as well as their size and appearance. Working Oxen exhibited for the Plowing or Drawing Match, must be attached together so as to form one team, and exhibited at such an hour of the day of the Cattle Show as will not interfere with their labor, under the direction of the Committee of Arrangements.

For the best pair of yearling Steers, broken to yoke,				\$4 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	2 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	1 00
For the best pair of Steer Calves, bred and raised by ap- plicant, not over 8 months old,	-	-	-	2 00
For the next best pair,	-	-	-	1 00

CLASS 9.—FAT CATTLE.

For the best Fat Ox, fit for slaughter, which shall have been fatted and owned by the competitor for four months previous to the exhibition, regard being had to the expense and mode of fatting,	-	-		\$8 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	6 00
For the best Fat Cow, which shall have been owned by the competitor four months previous to the exhibition, and regard being had as above,	-	-		6 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	4 00

CLASS 10.—SHEEP.

For the best flock of Southdown Ewes, not less than five,	\$8 00
For the best flock of Spanish Merino, not less than five,	8 00

For the best flock of any other breed worthy of encouragement,	-	-	-	-	8 00
For the best Southdown Buck,	-	-	-	-	5 00
“ next best do. do.	-	-	-	-	3 00
“ best Spanish Merino do.	-	-	-	-	5 00
“ next best	-	-	-	-	3 00
“ best Buck of any other breed worthy of encouragement,	-	-	-	-	5 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	-	3 00
For the best Buck Lamb, over four months and under 12 months of age,	-	-	-	-	4 00

CLASS 11.—SWINE.

For the best Boar,	-	-	-	-	\$7 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	-	5 00
For the best Breeding Sow over two years old, which shall have had at least two litters of pigs,	-	-	-	-	7 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	-	5 00
For the best Breeding Sow, not less than one year old, which has had at least one litter of pigs,	-	-	-	-	6 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	-	4 00
For the best Pigs, not less than four in number, not under two nor over six months old,	-	-	-	-	5 00

In awarding premiums for Swine, regard will be had to that excellence of breed, form, structure and proportion which will afford the greatest profit with the smallest expense.

CLASS 12.—POULTRY.

For the best five live Turkeys, raised by the exhibitor, not over seven nor under three months old,	-	-	-	-	\$3 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	-	2 00
“ best five live Ducks, as above,	-	-	-	-	2 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	-	1 00
“ best five live Geese, as above,	-	-	-	-	2 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	-	1 00
For the best lot of Dunghill Fowls, raised by the exhibitor, not less than ten in number, not over seven nor under three months old,	-	-	-	-	4 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	-	2 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	-	1 00

CLASS 13.—HORSES.

For the best Stallion, owned in the County for six months preceding the Show, to be tested by trotting mile heats, best three in five to harness,	\$25 00
For the best Stallion for all work, to be tested under the Committee on award, not less than four years of age, owned in the county for six months preceding the Show, and satisfactory security to be given to the Society that he shall be kept in the county for twelve months succeeding the Show,	25 00
For the next best,	15 00
For the best Stallion, exhibited in harness, over three years and under four, owned in the county for six months preceding the Show, security being given as above,	15 00
For the next best,	10 00
For the best Stallion, over two years and under three, owned in the county for six months preceding the Show,	10 00
For the next best,	6 00

For the first premium (in Class 13) an entrance fee will be charged of 10 per cent. upon the premium offered.

Stallions competing for the first premium in Class 13, to be trotted in the afternoon of the first day of the Show.

CLASS 14.

For the best Family Horse over four years old, regard being had to age, size, docility, power, action and speed,	\$15 00
For the next best,	12 00
“ next best,	8 00
“ next best,	5 00
“ next best,	4 00
“ next best,	3 00
For the best pair Matched Carriage Horses, regard being had to equality of match, age, power, size and action,	12 00
For the next best,	6 00
“ best Draft Horse,	5 00
“ next best,	3 00
“ best pair Matched Farm Horses,	6 00
“ next best,	3 00
“ best Walking Horse,	4 00
“ next best,	3 00

Competitors in Classes 14 and 15, except those entering Draft and Farm Horses, will be required to drive their animals in person, or by the person usually employed to take charge of the horses, to vehicles weighing, with driver, not less than 400 lbs. Matched horses must be driven to a vehicle weighing not less than 600 lbs. Walking horses to draw 1000 lbs.

CLASS 15.

For the best Colt, over three and under four years old, raised in the county, owned by the competitor, and exhibited in harness,	-	-	-	\$10 00
For the next best, as above,	-	-	-	8 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	6 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	3 00
For the best Colt, over two and under three, owned and raised in the county,	-	-	-	8 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	6 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	3 00
For the best Colt, over one and under two, owned and raised as above,	-	-	-	6 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	3 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	1 00

CLASS 16.

For the best Brood Mare, with foal at foot (foal not over eight months old),	-	-	-	\$12 00
For the next best,	-	-	-	8 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	6 00
For the best Brood Mare, with foal at foot, six years old and under,	-	-	-	10 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	6 00
“ best Horse Colt, not over 8 months old,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	2 00
“ best Mare Colt, not over 8 months old,	-	-	-	4 00
“ next best,	-	-	-	2 00

CLASS 17.

For the best Horse for light and fast work, which shall have been owned and kept in the county for six months previous to the Show,	-	-	\$25 00
For the best Horse for light and fast work, which shall have been bred and raised in the county,	-	-	25 00

For the premiums in Class 17, an entrance fee will be charged of 10 per cent. upon the premium offered.

Horses entering in Class 17 will be required to trot mile heats, best three in five to harness, three to enter and two to start.

RULES AS TO STOCK.

No statement of any kind will be required to be made by the competitor at the time of entry of his stock, except in the case of Milch Cows and Milch Heifers. Competitors will be required to be present with their animals, either in person, or by the person usually employed to take care of the animals, at the time of the examination by the committee, to answer any questions proposed by the committee relative to the character, quality, and manner of raising and keeping their stock. All successful competitors will be required, before receiving the premium awarded them, to file with the Secretary, a full and detailed statement of the manner and expense of raising and keeping their stock. No particular form of statement will be required, but it must be full and explicit, it being the intention of the Trustees to add to the value of the published transactions of the society, by including in them the history of the production of all the premium stock.

PLOWING MATCH.

For the best work, not less than ten inches in depth, done with two yoke of cattle,	-	-	\$9 00
For the next best,	-	-	7 00
“ next best,	-	-	5 00
For the best flat furrow work, not less than seven inches in depth, done with one yoke of oxen, not under four nor over seven years of age,	-	-	7 00
For the next best,	-	-	6 00
“ next best,	-	-	5 00
“ next best,	-	-	3 00
“ next best,	-	-	2 00
For the best flat furrow work, with one pair of horses, not less than 7 inches in depth,	-	-	6 00
For the next best,	-	-	4 00
“ next best,	-	-	2 00

Those persons who design becoming competitors, must give notice in writing, to the Recording Secretary, of their intention, and of the kind of Plow they will use, on or before the 10th day of September next, that suitable ground may be obtained, and the requisite arrangements made for the occasion. The Plows must be on the ground, ready to start at the time designated, the first day of the Show, as this will be the first public business of the day attended to.

Competitors in both the Plowing and Drawing Matches will be required to have owned their cattle for a period of at least three months preceding the exhibition.

The trial of Working Oxen and the Plowing Match will be had on the first day of the Show, and the Cattle entered therefor must be on the ground ready for the work

at the time appointed ; and the several competitors must commence their work when called by the Marshal, in default of which they shall forfeit the opportunity of doing it for the day.

Premiums awarded to Stallions, Bulls, Bucks, Buck Lambs, and Boars, will not be paid till satisfactory security has been given that the animals shall be kept for use in the county for twelve months succeeding the Show, and until they are two and one half years old.

MOWING MACHINES.

For the best Mowing Machine,	-	-	\$15 00
“ next best,	-	-	10 00
“ next best,	-	-	5 00

The premiums on Mowing Machines are to be paid from the sum appropriated to be distributed in premiums and gratuities under the direction of the Committee of Arrangements.

FIELD CROPS.

For the largest and best collection of Kitchen Vegetables,			\$10 00
For the next best,	-	-	6 00
“ next best,	-	-	3 00
“ largest and best varieties of Potatoes,	-	-	3 00
“ next best,	-	-	Flint's Grasses.
“ next best,	-	-	1 00
“ best Marrow Squashes,	-	-	1 00
“ next best,	-	-	50
“ best Hubbard Squashes,	-	-	1 00
“ next best,	-	-	50
“ best Turben Squashes,	-	-	1 00
“ next best,	-	-	50
“ best Pumpkins,	-	-	1 00
“ next best,	-	-	50
“ best Cabbages,	-	-	1 00
“ next best,	-	-	50
“ best Cauliflowers,	-	-	1 00
“ best Celery,	-	-	1 00
“ best sample of Onions, in bunches,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Table Beets,	-	-	1 00
“ “ English Turnips,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Tomatoes,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Field Beans,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Carrots,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Sugar Beets,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Parsnips,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Mangel-Wurzel,	-	-	1 00

For the best sample of Ruta Baga,	-	-	1 00
For the best sample of Field Corn, in traces, not less than twelve ears,	-	-	2 00
For the next best,	-	-	Flint's Grasses.
“ best sample of Sweet Corn,	-	-	2 00
For the best sample of Corn, not less than five varieties,	-	-	5 00
“ next best,	-	-	3 00
“ best sample of Spring Wheat,	-	-	2 00
“ next best,	-	-	Flint's Grasses.
“ best sample of Winter Wheat,	-	-	2 00
“ “ Spring Rye,	-	-	2 00
“ “ Winter Rye,	-	-	2 00
“ “ Barley,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Oats,	-	-	1 00
“ “ Buckwheat,	-	-	50

Of Squashes, Pumpkins, Cabbages, Cauliflowers, Celery, there must be at least three specimens in each sample. Of Onions, Beets, Turnips, Tomatoes, Carrots, Parsnips, Sugar-Beets, Mangel-Wurzel and Ruta Bagas, half a peck each. Of Potatoes and Beans, Wheat, Rye, Barley, Oats, Buckwheat, at least half a peck of each variety; and of the varieties of Corn at least twelve ears.

All products of the field must be grown in the county by the person exhibiting the same.

Competitors will be required to furnish to the Committee a written statement of the amount of crop and the manner of its cultivation.

Appropriate blanks for these statements will be furnished by the Secretary on application.

TWENTY DOLLARS is placed at the disposal of the appropriate committee, to be awarded for such Flowering Plants, Cut Flowers and Floral displays as shall be most worthy.

No animal or article for which one premium shall have been awarded to the owner, shall be considered a subject for any further premium of the Society, except it be for a higher one, or unless it be for qualities different from those for which the former premium was awarded; nor shall the same animal or article compete in two capacities, except in the plowing and drawing matches, and as a family and walking horse, or cattle exhibited in herds.

ENTRY OF ANIMALS.

Persons intending to offer any species of stock for premium, must give notice thereof by letter, post paid, or by personal application to the Recording Secretary, on or before the day next preceding the exhibition of

such stock, at 9 P. M., requesting him to enter his application, so that tickets for the pens may be ready by 8 o'clock the next morning. A strict enforcement of this rule is indispensable, and no person will be considered as a competitor who shall not have made such application for entry on or before the time specified. The owners of Cattle exhibited in the yoke, are requested to bring a chain to each yoke to secure them to posts.

COMPENSATION FOR TRAVEL.

The Trustees will pay five cents per mile per head, and for cattle in the yoke six cents per mile per yoke, to the owners of such stock before mentioned (except horses) as obtain premiums, computing from the place from which the animals come to the place of the Show, provided that no person shall receive a larger sum than \$3, unless he shall have driven over ten miles, and in which case he may receive an additional allowance not exceeding in all \$5; also to the unsuccessful competitors and owners of cattle offered for exhibition, the like sum, when it shall appear from the report of any committee that in their opinion the owners merit such an indemnity for an expense which has given credit to the show.

The Trustees will also pay 25 cents per head for the keeping of such stock as shall take premiums, and has been driven a distance of more than ten miles to the Show.

FOREST TREES.

For the best plantation of White Oak Trees, raised from the acorn, not less than one acre, nor less than five hundred trees, not more than three nor less than one year old, - - \$12 00

For the best plantation of Locusts, or of Forest Trees valuable for ship timber, raised from the seed or transplanted, not less than one acre nor less than five hundred trees, not more than three nor less than one year old, - - - - - 10 00

Notice of intention to claim the above mentioned premiums must be given to the Secretary on or before the day next preceding the Show.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

For the best Butter, the product of one farm, (quantity and quality to be considered), not less than 12 pounds to be exhibited,	\$10 00
For the next best,	8 00
“ next best,	6 00
“ next best,	5 00
“ next best,	3 00
“ next best,	1 00

These premiums are to be awarded to the Ladies.

The owner of the Butter must certify to the quantity made in his dairy, and the number of cows kept between the first day of June and the tenth day of September; and also the manner of feeding and management of the same, and such certificate must be filed with the Secretary before the successful competitor can receive the premium awarded to him.

For the best lot of June Butter, not less than 15 lbs.,	\$10 00
“ next best,	5 00
For the best lot, not less than 6 lbs., to be made from Ayrshire, Short-Horn, Devon or Alderney Cows,	6 00
For the best lot of Cheese, not less than 100 lbs., of the manufacture of the same person,	\$10 00
For the next best,	8 00
“ next best,	6 00
“ next best,	5 00
“ next best,	3 00

The above Cheese must be made in the month of June, and a certificate of the fact must be filed when entered for exhibition.

For the best lot of Old Cheese, not less than 100 lbs., of the manufacture of the same person,	\$3 00
For the next best,	2 00
For the best Sage Cheese,	3 00
“ next best,	2 00

The Butter and Cheese must be entered with the Recording Secretary, placed in the Exhibition Hall, and certificate filed before 9 A. M. of the day of the show.

BREAD.

For the best two loaves of Bread from Wheat flour, the wheat the product of this county,	\$3 00
For the best two loaves of unbolted Wheat Bread, the wheat the product of this county,	3 00
For the best two loaves of Bread from Rye flour,	3 00

For the best two loaves of Rye and Indian Bread,	-	3 00
For the best two loaves of Wheat flour Bread,	-	2 00
“ next best,	-	1 50
“ next best,	-	1 00
“ next best,	-	75
“ next best,	-	50
For the best two loaves Unbolted Wheat Bread,	-	50

The sum of \$175 is appropriated to be distributed in Premiums and Gratuities under the direction of the Committee of Arrangements. No special distribution of this sum is made, but the amount is placed in the hands of the Committee of Arrangements, to be expended in such manner as they shall deem expedient, with a view to having in the Hall of the Society on the days of the Cattle Show, an exhibition worthy of not only the Agriculture, but the Mechanic Art of Worcester County.

An announcement of the details of this offer will be seasonably made by the Committee.

GENERAL RULES.

Competitors for premiums of every description will be held to rigid compliance with the foregoing rules, as well as to such rules and regulations as shall be adopted by the respective Committees on Premiums, and the Committee of Arrangements for the occasion. If any competitor for any of the Society's premiums shall be discovered to have used any disingenuous measures, by which the object of the Society has been defeated, or attempted to be defeated, such person shall not only forfeit the premiums which have been awarded, but be rendered incapable of being ever after a competitor for any of the Society's premiums.

In all cases the several committees are directed to make no awards of premiums unless the animal or article is of a *superior* quality and value.

All gratuities recommended by the several committees to persons who shall exhibit articles or animals of excellence and utility, deserving encouragement, and for which no particular premium is offered, will be distributed in books on Agriculture.

From premiums awarded there will be discounted 25 per cent. in the payment to those persons who, at the time, are not members of the Society; and no premium will be awarded for any animal or article to any person who, at the time, is not the owner; nor for any manufactured articles, unless they were manufactured in the county; and no premium


will be paid to any person who is not an inhabitant of the county, except to the owners of Bulls, Stallions, Rams and Boars, brought into the county for the improvement of Stock, and to be kept for use as before mentioned. Premiums will be paid in thirty days after they are awarded; but if not demanded in four months, they will be considered relinquished, and the amount added to the funds of the Society.


No animals offered for premiums are to be removed from the grounds before 3 P. M. of the days of exhibition.

The Exhibition of Horses, except the Trotting of Stallions, will be held on the last day of Show. All other stock must be exhibited on the day first above designated.

All Manufactured Articles, Fruit and Field Crops, must be duly entered with the Secretary and placed in the Hall and certificates filed by 9 P. M. the day preceding the Show, and remain till the close of the exhibition.

Any animal which has heretofore received the Society's first premium shall, if adjudged to be the best at the present exhibition, be deemed to be entitled to the Society's diploma, which shall be awarded accordingly.

 Committees are instructed in no case to award a premium to an unsound animal.

 *It is the design of the Trustees to give especial attention to the Exhibition in the Society's Hall.*

RULES FOR THE COMMITTEES.

The foregoing proposals for premiums, with the rules accompanying the same, being reported, are accepted by the Trustees, and thereupon it is ordered that the respective Committees which may be appointed to award the Premiums, require a strict conformity thereto; and that they report no person as entitled to any Premium who has not complied with the Rules in relation to Entries, and furnished certificates of the Ages of Animals, their manner of keeping and product, or mode of making and preserving Manufactured Articles, as required by the foregoing Rules. The Trustees will seasonably appoint skillful men from different parts of the County to adjudge the Premiums.

Persons of good moral character may be admitted as members of the Society on payment to the Treasurer of the sum of FIVE DOLLARS.

CHARLES E. MILES, *President.*

CLARK JILLSON, *Secretary.*

WORCESTER, March 1, 1865.

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